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SUBJ: F-104 REPLACEMENT: BRIBERY CHARGES

REF: THE HAGUE 4792

1. GON JUSTICE MINISTER VAN AGT HAS ORDERED AN INVESTIGATION INTO ALLEGATIONS THAT A FOREIGN AIRCRAFT COMPANY TRIED TO BRIBE TWO DUTCH PARLIAMENTARIANS TO SUPPORT A PARTICULAR AIRCRAFT AS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE NETHERLANDS' F-104S. VAN AGT'S DECISION WAS IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST PUT TO HIM BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SECOND CHAMBER OF THE DUTCH PARLIAMENT (REFTEL).

2. ONE OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS, LIBERAL PARTY MEMBER KEJA, REPORTEDLY TOLD A REPORTER FOR ALGEMEEN DAGBLAD THAT HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED A YEAR AND A HALF AGO BY A DASSAULT
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REPRESENTATIVE WHO SAID THAT THE COMPANY WAS WILLING

TO SPEND 30,000 GUILDERS (US \$11,000) IF HE WOULD PUT IN A
WORD FOR THE MIRAGE. ACCORDING TO KEJA, THE DISCUSSION
TOOK PLACE IN ONE OF THE HAGUE'S RESTAURANTS. KEJA SAID
THAT "WHEN I REACTED IN A VERY SURPRISED MANNER, THE MAN
HASTENED TO ADD THAT THE MONEY WOULD BE FOR THE PARTY.
WHEN I SAID THAT THIS WAS OUT OF THE QUESTION HE SAID
GOOD-BYE. SINCE THEN, I HAVE NOT SEEN HIM."
ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER REPORTS, THE OTHER PARLIAMENTARIAN,
LABOR PARTY FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN DANKERT,
ALSO REPORTED IMPROPER FINANCIAL PROPOSALS FROM DASSAULT,
BUT IN A MORE OBLIQUE MANNER. THE APPROACH TO DANKERT
IS SAID TO HAVE OCCURRED DURING A VISIT TO PARIS
TO EVALUATE THE MIRAGE.
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